



# NAVY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS

## Navy JAG: A Better Practice

# YOUR CLIENTELE: U.S. NAVY

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- $\approx$  350,000  
SAILORS
- $\approx$  55,000  
OFFICERS
  - "LINE"
  - "STAFF"
    - JAG CORPS  $\approx$  775
- AIRCRAFT/HELICOPTER SQUADRONS
- SHIPS
- SUBMARINES
- SEAL TEAMS
- NAVAL STATIONS
- NAVAL AIR STATIONS



\* ENTERPRISE BATTLEGROUP STEAMS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN:  
OVER SEVENTY AIRCRAFT, ELEVEN SHIPS, TWO SUBMARINES.

\* AND FOUR LAWYERS.



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# YOUR CLIENTELE: QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS

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- The United States of America
- The U.S. Navy and its Commanders
- Active Duty Personnel
- Family Members of Active Duty
- Army, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marine Corps (Sister Service) Members
- Retirees from all branches of service



ON THE FASTEST MOVING AIRPORT IN THE WORLD,  
THERE'S NO TIME FOR DISTRACTIONS.  
THINKING ABOUT PERSONAL LEGAL PROBLEMS COULD  
BE A COSTLY MISTAKE.

WHO'S GOING TO GIVE THESE  
SAILORS SOUND LEGAL ADVICE  
AND PEACE OF MIND?

**YOU WILL.**

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# WHAT THE JAG CORPS DOES:

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- COURTS-MARTIAL
- PERSONAL LEGAL ADVICE
- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS
- INTERNATIONAL AND OPERATIONAL LAW
- MILITARY COMMISSIONS
- LEGAL ADVISOR TO COMMANDERS
- LITIGATION WITH DOJ
- CLAIMS
- ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
- GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR ASSIGNMENTS
- HOMELAND SECURITY
- A LOT MORE...

**WHEN THE MILITARY JUDGE ENTERS,  
HE'LL ASK FOR MOTIONS, VOIR DIRE,  
AND OPENING STATEMENTS.**

**YOU'LL BE READY.**

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# **NAVY JAG OFFICE LOCATIONS:**

## **WORLD-WIDE LAW FIRM**

- NORFOLK, VA
- JACKSONVILLE, FL
- MAYPORT, FL
- SAN DIEGO, CA
- WASHINGTON DC
- PENSACOLA, FL
- PEARL HARBOR, HI
- NAPLES, ITALY
- ROTA, SPAIN
- YOKOSUKA, JAPAN
- BREMERTON, WA
- EVERETT, WA
- NEWPORT, RI
- GROTON, CT
- GREAT LAKES, IL
- LEMOORE, CA
- MILLINGTON, TN
- KEFLAVIK, ICELAND
- GUAM
- AND MORE.....



# WHAT MAKES NAVY JAG A BETTER PRACTICE?

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QUALITY OF WORK  
QUALITY OF LIFE  
OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

# QUALITY OF WORK: GET RESPONSIBILITY FAST

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- MAINTAIN YOUR OWN CASE LOAD AND CLIENTELE
- LITIGATE YOUR OWN CASES
- LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
- ACTUALLY PRACTICE LAW AND BE AN ATTORNEY



"YOU'VE GOT TO BELIEVE ME LIEUTENANT. I DIDN'T DO IT."

WHO WILL PROVIDE A DEFENSE  
EVEN WHEN THE EVIDENCE  
IS STACKED AGAINST HIM?

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# QUALITY OF WORK: DIVERSE PRACTICE AREAS

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- CRIMINAL
  - PROSECUTION, DEFENSE, JUDICIAL
  - TRIAL AND APPELLATE LEVELS
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE
  - FAMILY, CONSUMER, ESTATE PLANNING, IMMIGRATION, TAX AND REAL ESTATE
- COMMAND SERVICES
  - ENVIRONMENTAL, MARITIME, ROE, INTERNATIONAL, LABOR, GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS



# QUALITY OF LIFE

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- 40+/- HOUR WORK WEEK
- NO BILLABLE HOURS
- TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES
- 30 DAYS PAID VACATION
- IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY
- JAGC STRIVES TO KEEP YOU HAPPY AT WORK AND AT HOME
- COMPETITIVE COMPENSATION PACKAGE

# PAY AND BENEFITS: COMPARABLE TO MIDSIZED FIRM

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- BASIC PAY
- HOUSING ALLOWANCE (BAH)
- FOOD ALLOWANCE (BAS)
- TAX BENEFITS/THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN
- FREE MEDICAL AND DENTAL CARE
- INEXPENSIVE LIFE INSURANCE
- COMMISSARY/EXCHANGE
- TOTAL INITIAL COMPENSATION (LTJG) - \$55 - 58K
- TOTAL COMPENSATION WITHIN 6 MONTHS  
\$68 - 72K



# QUALITY OF LIFE: CAMARADERIE

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- WORLD-WIDE TEAM
  - JAG CORPS "FIRM"
  - NAVY TEAM
- MENTORSHIP WITH SENIOR JUDGE ADVOCATES
- FRIENDSHIPS
- CIVILITY WITH OPPOSING COUNSEL

# QUALITY OF LIFE: ADVENTURE

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- TRAVEL
- EXCITING “EXTRAS”
  - SHIPS, PLANES, HELICOPTERS AND OTHER MILITARY ASSETS
- “REAL NAVY EXPERIENCE”
  - DO WHAT YOUR CIVILIAN COUNTERPARTS WILL NEVER HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO



# Law at the Front



**LT Christopher Williams, JAGC, USNR  
COMPHIBRON FOUR, USS WASP  
Arabian Gulf, Summer 2004**

# Lawyers at Sea – Flight Operations



**USS SAIPAN (LHA-2)**  
**1 Marine Amphibious Brigade**  
**Operation: Iraqi Freedom**

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# OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

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- HELP OTHERS AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE
  - MANY COULD NOT AFFORD AN ATTORNEY
- PATRIOTISM
- WORK TOWARD SOMETHING BIGGER THAN YOURSELF OR THE BOTTOM LINE OF BILLABLE HOURS AND MONEY

# OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE: INTEGRITY

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- BEDROCK OF WHAT WE DO
- YOUR OATHS
  - AS A NAVAL OFFICER: HONOR, COURAGE, COMMITMENT
  - AS A CERTIFIED ATTORNEY: TRIAL OR DEFENSE COUNSEL
- MORAL COURAGE TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND GET THE JUST RESULT



# CAN YOU BE ONE OF US?

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- GRADES
- LSAT
- EXTRA-CURRICULAR
  - MOOT COURT
  - LAW REVIEW
  - INTERNSHIPS
  - LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES
- JAG APPRAISAL
- START BY VISITING WEBSITE  
[www.jag.navy.mil](http://www.jag.navy.mil)
  - ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS AND INSTRUCTIONS
- NEED HELP?
  - 1-800-USA-NAVY
  - FAQ's ON WEBSITE
  - LCDR COLLEEN SHOOK, JAGC ACCESSIONS DETAILER (901) 874-4084/4087

# APPLICATION PROCESS

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- STANDARD NAVY OFFICER FORM AND JAGC APPLICATION
  - [WWW.JAG.NAVY.MIL](http://WWW.JAG.NAVY.MIL)
- APPRAISAL INTERVIEW BY JAGC
- SELECTION BOARD
  - SELECTION WILL BE CONTINGENT ON
    - BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION
    - MEDICAL SCREENING



**AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS IN THE WESTERN ATLANTIC:  
THIS READINESS GROUP, LOADED WITH MARINES AND THEIR  
EQUIPMENT, IS HEADED FOR HARM'S WAY.**



**GOOD THING THEY BROUGHT THEIR LAWYER.**

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